

Title: Space Station Solar Panels Double-Sided

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This view of the International Space Station's new P6 (Port) truss and its solar arrays was pictured from space shuttle Discovery after it undocked on Dec. 9, 2000.

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The International Space Station (ISS) is a unique scientific platform that enables researchers from all over the world to put their talents to work on innovative experiments that could not be done anywhere ...

A team of scientists have invented a new double-sided solar panel that is capable of increasing efficiency by 20%. The design allows solar energy to be captured from both sides, with the back ...

For both uses, a key figure of merit of the solar panels is the specific power (watts generated divided by solar array mass), which indicates on a relative basis how much power one array will generate for a ...

Some answers on this site claim that the ISS US Segment solar arrays are double-sided (i.e. cells on both sides of the blanket). I tend to doubt this, but a search of my references did not turn ...

My understanding is that the ISS's solar panels are silicon and double sided to maximize bang-for-the-pound (average power per kilogram transported to orbit). See [Are the ISS US Segment ...](#)

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And most recently, astronauts installed brand-new solar arrays to augment the station's power supply,



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meaning both the original and the new arrays will collect solar power for the same ...

The ISS electrical system uses solar cells to directly convert sunlight to electricity. Large numbers of cells are assembled in arrays to produce high power levels. This method of harnessing solar power ...

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